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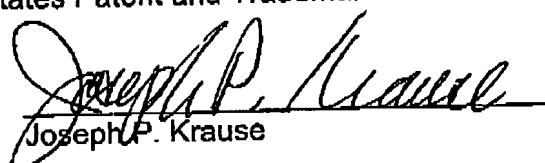
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For: **METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR SIMULATING A TRAIN AND TRACK**

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**RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT RESPONSE and  
PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT UNDER 37 CFR 1.115**

**Mail Stop Amendment**  
The Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
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Sir:

A Restriction Requirement for the above-identified patent application was mailed on April 20, 2007. The applicant was required to elect either claims 1-28 or claims 29-31 for prosecution. Claims 1-28 are directed to a method of simulating a train and track whereas claims 29-31 are directed to a system for simulating a train traveling along an actual track route.

In response to the Restriction Requirement, the applicant elects claims 1-28, with traverse. Claims 29-31 are withdrawn, however, the applicant reserves the right to prosecute claims 29-31 in a divisional application.

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The Restriction Requirement also required a species election. By this amendment, the applicant is amending claim 8 and canceling claim 9. The species election requirement is therefore overcome. The Examiner's attention is respectfully directed to the Remarks following the claim amendments set forth below.

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims, which begins on page 3 of this paper.

**Remarks** begin on page 11 of this paper.